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"AGENDA ITEM 3-A. RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

"(1) THE SO-CALLED NORTH-SOUTH PROBLEM HAS HITHERTO SHOWN A PROCESS OF STUDIES WITH A STRONG COLORING OF CONFRONTATION IN MANY ARENAS. IT IS A WELCOME THING, HOWEVER, THAT AN ATMOSPHERE OF A CHANGE FROM CONFRONTATION TO DIALOGUE WAS CREATED AT THE SPECIAL UNGA SESSION SOME TIME AGO AND THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES' SIDE CHANGED TO A REALISTIC ATTITUDE, SEEKING SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS. THIS IS BELIEVED TO BE BECAUSE, FOR ONE THING, THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES' SIDE CLEARLY REALIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF INTER-DEPENDENCE BETWEEN THE NORTH AND THE SOUTH, AFTER HAVING BEEN FACED WITH VARIOUS ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES, WITH THE PRESENT GLOBAL DEPRESSION AS AN OCCASION, AND BECAUSE THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES CAME TO EXPERIENCE THAT MERELY TAKING A POSTURE OF CONFRONTATION AS HITHERTO WILL NOT LEAD TO THEIR OWN BENEFIT. ACCORDINGLY, THE ADVANCED NATIONS, TOO, NEED TO PROMOTE MAINTENANCE OF OR HELP FOR THIS

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REALISTIC ATTITUDE.

"ATTACHING IMPORTANCE TO INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION CONFERENCE

"HOWEVER, IN ORDER TO PROMOTE BETTER RELATIONS WITH THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES THROUGH DIALOGUES AND COOPERATION, EFFORTS BY THE ADVANCED NATIONS SIDE TO RESPOND TO THEM BY PRESENTING FEASIBLE, CONCRETE MEASURES, ABOVE EVERYTHING ELSE, AND TO OBTAIN AGREEMENT FROM THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SIDE ARE INDISPENSABLE.

"FROM THIS VIEWPOINT, I THINK AN "INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION CONFERENCE," HOLDING OF WHICH HAS RECENTLY BEEN AGREED UPON, CAN BECOME AN IMPORTANT FORUM FOR REALISTIC TALKS BETWEEN THE NORTH AND THE SOUTH.

"I THINK THAT TODAY WHEN, AS MENTIONED ABOVE, THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SIDE IS MOVING FROM CONFRONTATION TO DIALOGUE, WHILE ON THE ADVANCED NATIONS SIDE, TOO, THE NECESSITY OF SETTLING THE PROBLEMS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IS BEING MORE KEENLY REALIZED THAN EVER, IS THE GOLDEN OPORTUNITY FOR TACKLING THESE VARIOUS DFFICULT PROBLEMS BY GATHERING WISDOM.

(2) NEXT, OF VARIOUS ITEMS OF THE NORTH-SOUTH PROBLEMS, I WILL PRESENT OUR COUNTRY'S CONCRETE VIEWS, AS SHOWN BELOW, ON THREE MAJOR FIELDS--PRIMARY PRODUCTS, ACCESS TO MARKETS, AND AID--WHICH ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ESPECIALLY URGENT AGENDA ITEMS:

(A) PRIMARY PRODUCTS (TO BE STATED IN DETAIL IN AGENDA ITEM 5)

(B) ACCESS TO MARKETS A. NEW INTERNATIONAL ROUND

" I WANT (TO PROPOSE) THAT AS A PART OF THE GENERAL PROMOTION OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ROUND, WE RCONFIRM THAT WE WILL HANDLE AS PREFERENTIAL FIELDS THE SECURING OF ADDITIONAL INTERESTS FOR THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND TROPICAL PRODUCTS EXPORTERS.

"B. GENERALIZED PREFERENCES. OUR COUNTRY, TOGETHER WITH THE EEC, CARRIED OUT GENERAL PREFERENCES EARLY AND HAS BEEN PROMOTING IMPROVEMENT OF THE SCHEME EVERY YEAR. PREFERENTIAL IMPORTS HAVE MARKED BIG GROWTH BY A LITTLE MORE THAN 3.6 FOLD, DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS.

"AS TO EXTENDING GENERAL PREFERENCES IN THE 1980S, OUR UNCLASSIFIED

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COUNTRY INTENDS TO STRIVE TO ENSURE IMPLEMENTATION OF GENERAL PREFERENCES DURING A CERTAIN PERIOD IN AND AFTER 1980. AS TO THE SCHME ITSELF, WE INTEND TO PROMOTE IMPROVEMENT CONTINUOUSLY, BEARING IN MIND OUR FURTHER CONTRIBUTION TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

"C. DEVELOPMENT AID (TO BE STATED IN DETAIL IN AGENDA ITEM 3-B)

(3) LASTLY, IN CONSIDERING THE NORTH-SOUTH PROBLEM, WE THINK IT NECESSARY TO TACKLE IT FROM A LONG-RANGE VIEWPOINT, THAT IS, HUMAN SOCIETY AND HISTORY, IN PARALLEL WITH THE EFFORT TO PROBE INTO THE IMMEDIATE SETTLEMENT POLICIES AS MENTIONED ABOVE. THIS IS BECAUSE WE THINK WHAT HAS BEEN CALLED TO ACCOUNT ON THE NORTH-SOUTH PROBLEM IS NOT MERELY THE ECONOMIC ASPECT BUT THE DESIRABLE WAY OF INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY ITSELF, INCLUDING POLITICAL, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ASPECTS. "FROM THIS VIEWPOINT, OUR COUNTRY PROPOSED THE "CONCEPT FOR STUDIES FOR THE FUTURE OF ADVANCED INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY AND FOR HARMONIOUS PROSPERITY WITH THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES," AT THE 14TH OECD MINISTERIAL COUNCIL MEETING THE OTHER DAY.

"ON THIS CONCEPT, WE OBTAINED GENERAL AGREEMENT FROM THE MAJOR NATIONS, BUT WE EXPECT POSITIVE PARTICIPATION BY AS MANY COUNTRIES AS POSSIBLE, STARTING WITH THE NATIONS PARTICIPATING IN THE SUMMIT CONFERENCE.

"AGENDA ITEM 3-B. RELATIONS WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (AID RELATIONS)

"(1) ROUGHLY SPEAKING, THE NORTH-SOUTH PROBLEM HAS TWO DIMENSIONS--TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT AID. AT THE SAME TIME, CROSS-DIMENSIONAL ASPECTS ARE CONCEIVABLE, STABILIZATION OF EXPORT INCOMES FOR THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND OTHER POINTS

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CAN BE CONSIDERED TO BE SUCH CROSS-DIMENSIONAL ASPECTS. STABILIZATION OF EXPORT INCOMES FOR THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IS CERTAINLY AN INFLUENTIAL MEANS FOR SETTLING THE NORTH-SOUTH PROBLEM. HOWEVER, IN SETTLING THE PROBLEMS OF VARIOUS DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY OF THE LATE-START DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHOSE EXPORT INCOMES ARE SMALL, IT IS DIFFICULT TO ATTAIN THESE COUNTRIES' TARGETS OF ECONOMIC GROWTH RATES BY THAT MEANS ALONE, DEVELOPMENT AID IS INTENDED TO GIVE DIRECT IMPACT TO THE FIELDS OF TOP PRIORITY IN THE DEVELOPMENT PLANS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND EXPANSION AND IMPROVEMENT OF DEVELOPMENT AID SHOULD BE PROMOTED IN PARALLEL WITH SUCH MEASURES AS COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF TRADE AND STABILIZATION OF ZZLIB#INCOMES.

"AT PRESENT, THE ADVANCED NATIONS' ECONOMIES HAVE MANY DIFFICULTIES, BUT WE WANT TO CALL FOR GREATER EFFORTS FOR AID, THROUGH UNDERSTANDING OF THE SEVERE UNCLASSIFIED

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ECONOMIC SITUATION CENTERING ON THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND OBTAINING THE COOPERATION OF THE RICH, OIL-PRODUCING COUNTRIES. OUR COUNTRY WILL STRIVE TO INCREASE GOVERNMENT DEVELOPMENT AID (ODA) TO A SCALE NEARLY TRIPLE THE PRESENT SCALE BY 1980, AND AT THE SAME TIME, WE WANT TO SEEK LARGE-SCALE QUALITATIVE IMPROVEMENT OF AID. "AS TO WHICH COUNTRY WE SHOULD OFFER AID PREFERENTIALLY, WE WILL SUPPORT THE PRINCIPLE PROPOSED BY BRITAIN (60 PERCENT OF ODA TO A COUNTRY WHOSE GNP PER CAPITA IS LESS THAN 200 DOLLARS). WE APPEAL FOR PREFERENTIAL DISTRIBUTION OF 80 PERCENT OF ODA TO A COUNTRY WHOSE GNP PER CAPITA IS LESS THAN 375 DOLLARS.

"(2) FROM A SHORT-RANGE VIEW, THE CHANGES IN THE WORLD ECONOMY IN AND AFTER 1973 HAVE BEEN SHIFTED ON TO THE NON-OIL-PRODUCING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND HAVE MADE IT DIFFICULT TO PROMOTE THEIR DEVELOPMENT PLANS. THE ADVANCED NATIONS, IN SPITE OF THEIR DIFFICULTIES IN

BALANCING THEIR INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS, SHOULD REALIZE THE NECESSITY OF OFFERING EMERGENCY BP SUPPORT TO THESE COUNTRIES.

"STRESS ON AID TO AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD SECTORS

"(3) IN ORDER TO PROMOTE LONG-RANGE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TO PROMOTE THE WORLD'S FOOD PROBLEM, IMPORTANCE SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO AID TO AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD SECTORS.

"(4) IN THE ASIAN AREA, VERY LARGE POPULATIONS EXIST IN POOR COUNTRIES, BUT IN SPITE OF THIS, THE AMOUNT OF AID RECEIVED PER CAPITA IS SMALL, AND IT IS IN THE "CHASM OF AID," SO TO SPEAK, ON THE OTHER HAND, VARIOUS ASIAN COUNTRIES ARE TAKING A MORE REALISTIC APPROACH IN THE ARENA OF UNCTAD, ETC., AND HELPING THIS IS DESIRABLE FOR SETTLING THE NORTH-SOUTH PROBLEM THROUGH COOPERATION. KN THIS SENSE, WE EXPECT VARIOUS NATIONS' POSITIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK.

"IN THE ASIAN AREA, FURTHERMORE, THE FOOD PROBLEM HAS BECOME ACCELERATINGLY SERIOUS DUE TO THE SUDDEN INCREASE IN POPULATION. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT 70 PERCENT OF THE UNCLASSIFIED

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POPULATION IN THIS AREA ARE FARMERS, THAT THERE IS HIGH POTENTIALITY OF INCREASED PRODUCTION OF FOOD, AND THAT PROPER IMPORTANCE HAS NOT BEEN RECOGNIZED FOR THE EFFORTS TO INCREASE FOOD PRODUCTION HITHERTO, WE WANT STUDIES SO THAT LARGE-SCALE ADDITIONAL AID WILL BE DIRECTED TOWARD THIS AREA THROUGH BUYING AND MULTILATERAL CHANNELS IN THE FUTURE. END TEXT OF PART III OF IV. HODGSON

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